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BEFORE THE POSTAL RATE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

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Docket No. MC98-1

RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE WITNESS GARVEY TO INTERROGATORY OF THE OFFICE OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE REDIRECTED FROM THE POSTAL SERVICE (OCA/USPS-5)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides the response of witness Garvey to the following interrogatory of the Office of the Consumer Advocate: OCA/USPS-5, filed on August 13, 1998, and redirected from the Postal Service.

The interrogatory is stated verbatim and is followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

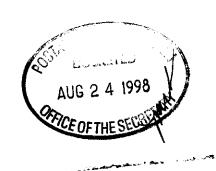
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RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE WITNESS GARVEY TO INTERROGATORIES OF THE OFFICE OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE, REDIRECTED FROM THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

OCA/USPS-5. The following interrogatory refers to USPS-LR-2/MC98-1, page 37 and Table 19a, page 38. "The number of businesses with Internet access was provided to us by the Postal Service." For Table 19a, please show the derivation of each number. Give citations to page, column and row (if applicable) to source documents for all figures. Provide copies of all documents not previously filed in this docket.

RESPONSE:

See my Response to OCA-USPS-3. I now believe that these numbers were obtained via telephone consultation with an industry-specific research organization recommended as being usually reliable by the Headquarters Market Research department. The organization was the Yankee Group.

DECLARATION

I, Lee Garvey, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing answers are true and correct, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Dated: 8/24/98

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

Kenneth N. Hollies

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